Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Dedicated telecommunicators serve the citizens of South Dakota by dispatching for police, fire, and emergency medical services as quickly as possible; and,

Whereas, The critical functions performed by professional telecommunicators also include the practice of pre-arrival instructions for emergency medical, fire, and police dispatch such as CPR, escaping a burning building, and for persons being held hostage; and,

Whereas, Our professional telecommunicators work to improve emergency response capabilities through their leadership and participation in training programs and other activities provided by the state of South Dakota, Law Enforcement Training Center, the Association of Public Safety Communications Officials International, Inc., the National Emergency Number Association, and other sources; and,

Whereas, The Association of Public Safety Communications Officials International, Inc., an organization of nearly 15,000 members, has set aside the week of April 14-20, 2013, to recognize telecommunicators and their crucial role in the protection of life and property:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim April 14-20, 2013, as

PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fifteenth Day of February in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

Dennis Daugaard

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Jason Gant

Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State